

## HANSEN'S HATTRICK HOPES HIGH

When Stan Hansen lines up in this year's "Championship Carnival" Tournament, he will be looking to duplicate a feat performed only once before. Hansen is going for his third successive win in this event. Not since 1975, has this been achieved.

Dating back to 1973, All Japan's "Championship Carnival" Tournament is the oldest of all the annual tournaments held in Japan. And although the tournament itself has not been conducted every year since then, the "Carnival" tour itself has been a mainstay of All Japan's program throughout its history.

The inaugural tournament took place just five months after All Japan Pro Wrestling had been formed. And it drew top competition from the American stars of the day. From amongst the fifteen entrants, "Giant" Baba, "King" Curtis Iaukea, Mark Lewin and "Destroyer" Dick Beyer were the four semi-finalists.

It was Baba who provided the Japanese fans with a "home-grown" champion that year, and indeed, he maintained a very firm grip on the title throughout its early years. He won the first three events, which were all held on a "knock-out" basis, with the winner advancing to the next round, while the loser is eliminated.

In 1976, a change in format to a "round-robin" competition saw Baba lose his grip, albeit briefly. Under this new format, the top two points scorers from the "round-robin" competition clashed in a "Grand Final" to decide the year's Champion.

And thus, with three exception, the event has been contested since.

In 1982, with the popularity of the event waning somewhat, no "Grand Final" was held. And in 1991 and 1992, the entrants were split into two groups; the

### PAST WINNERS

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| 1973      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1974      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1975      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1976      | Abdullah the Butcher |
| 1977      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1978      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1979      | Abdullah the Butcher |
| 1980      | "Jumbo" Tsuruta      |
| 1981      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1982      | "Giant" Baba         |
| 1983-1990 | No tournament        |
| 1991      | "Jumbo" Tsuruta      |
| 1992      | Stan Hansen          |
| 1993      | Stan Hansen          |
| 1994      |                      |

winner of each "round-robin" competition facing off in the "Grand Final".

In 1977, there was an added complication, with Baba and "Jumbo" Tsuruta actually tied for second place after the preliminary phase, forcing an additional "semi-final" to determine who would face Abdullah in the final.

Although the 1994 tournament is due to start in less than two weeks, (it runs from 19 March to 16 April), precise details regarding format and competitors have not yet been fully released.

It is expected however, that the "single group round robin" format, with the "Grand Final" on the last night will again be used. Twelve wrestlers will almost certainly be participating. Hansen, Steve Williams, Dan Spivey, The Eagle, John Nord, Johnny Ace, Doug Furnas, Mitsuhara Misawa, Toshiaki Kawada, Akira Taue, Kenta Kobashi and Jun Akiyama are virtual locks to compete.

Johnny Smith and Dan Kroffat have also been named as possibilities, which would bring the number up to 14.

On current form, it would appear that the two most likely finalists would be Hansen and "Triple Crown" champion Misawa. Any one of Williams, Kawada, Taue or Kobashi could easily turn that prediction upside down though. One or two early "upset" results could throw the event wide open.

This coming tour will be Stan Hansen's 87th visit to Japan. No other foreign wrestler has visited this country as often. If he can equal Baba's record in this event, it will provide even further confirmation of his position in All Japan's "Hall of Fame".



STAN HANSEN

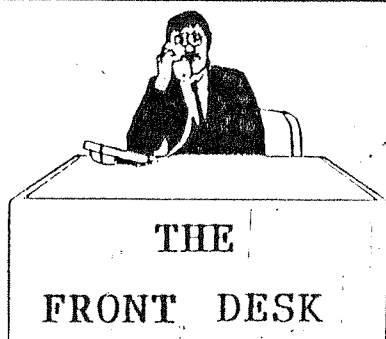
BORN: 29 Aug 1949  
 HOMETOWN: Jackson, Mississippi  
 HEIGHT: 195 cm/6' 6"  
 WEIGHT: 140 kg/308 lbs  
 DEBUTED: 1 Jan 1973  
 (Location unavailable)

GROUPS: 1973-1976 Indies  
 1976-1980 WWWF  
 1981 New Japan  
 1982- All Japan

TITLES HELD:  
 PWF Heavyweight  
 (NWA) International  
 United National  
 PWF Tag Team  
 (NWA) International Tag Team  
 American Wrestling Assn  
 (WCW) United States  
 "Real World" Tag Team  
 "Championship Carnival"

PAST SPORTS: (US) football

FAVOURITE Lariat  
 MOVE/HOLD:



With some weeks now having passed since our first edition "hit the streets", readers' reactions are now beginning to come in.

And, we are pleased to see, that most comments have been favourable. We have had lots of suggestions relating to what our readers would like to see more of, and I am currently looking at a number of ideas to meet as many of these suggestions as possible.

Readers will note some changes in this issue, and there will be more gradually appearing over time. We hope that these will serve to strengthen "Banzai Press", and better inform readers about the wrestling scene here.

One comment that I would appreciate more feedback on, is the price. I understand that while "hardcore" fans (and also wrestlers) regard BP as "value for money, casual wrestling fans are "expressing concerns". And also, for fans in countries where the local currency is weak compared to the United States dollar, the current price is "not an incentive".

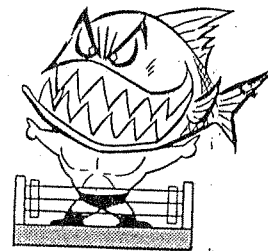
With postage costs currently occupying such a high portion of our costs, it would be difficult to reduce this price, without reducing the size of "Banzai Press" itself. And yet, to ensure that "Banzai Press" becomes a financially viable venture, we do need to reach as wide an audience as possible.

The most obvious solution, would be to limit "Banzai Press" to latest news coverage; possibly 6-8 pages as opposed to the present 12-16. I would then be looking at producing several "Special Editions", which would be more specific in their coverage. These would relate to a certain tour (similar to an English language tour/event program), and would include the relevant historical, and statistical data, which would appeal more to the "hard-core" reader.

That solution would also satisfy fans whose tastes relate  
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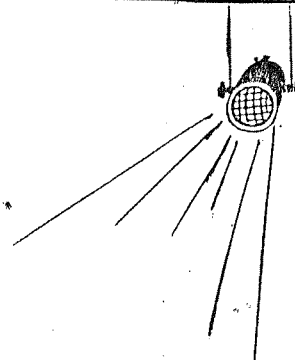
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# spotlight



## TAKADA'S CHALLENGE

UWFI officially announced the plans for its "'94 Pro Wrestling World Tournament" at a major press conference in Yokohama on 15 February. The event will be a 16-man elimination tournament, which will be run over four shows, with the "Grand Final" at Tokyo's Budokan Hall on 18 August.

It is not however, the fact that UWFI are staging a major tournament that has hit the headlines in Japan, as the way they have gone about it.

At the press conference, UWFI officials challenged all recognised champions from the major wrestling promotional companies to attend the event, and advised that specific letters (see translation on this page) had been sent to Mitsuhashi Misawa (All Japan), Shinya Hashimoto (New Japan), Genichiro Tenryu (WAR), Akira Maeda (RINGS Japan) and Masakatsu Funaki (Pancrasse). UWFI announced the winner of the event would receive almost US\$1 million dollars, and had this prizemoney on display at the conference.

UWFI also announced that already entered in the event were Nobuhiko Takada and Kazuo Yamazaki (from UWFI's Japan office), Gary Albright (USA but a UWFI regular), Salman Hashimikov (Russia - 5-time World amateur champion) and Van Vader.

Of the wrestlers challenged, it appears that only Maeda has any intention of accepting. And in fact, he already has.

Hashimoto's response, and the one which underlines the credibility of this challenge, is that the challenge, had it been serious, would have been directed to the companies for which the various champions wrestle, rather than the individuals themselves, to ensure that the fighters invited were available.

This is exactly the same position which UWFI created in 1992, when they publicly, but not formally, challenged new NWA World Champion Masa Chono to face Takada, at one of their upcoming promotions.

### TEXT OF THE CHALLENGE

(From the office of Union of Wrestling Force International)

We are promoting "'94 Pro Wrestling World Tournament" as follows:

03 April 1994 Osaka Castle Hall, Osaka  
06 May 1994 Budokan Hall, Tokyo  
24 June 1994 Budokan Hall, Tokyo  
18 August 1994 Budokan Hall, Tokyo

In the sport of professional wrestling, there are many tournaments. However, these are usually only contested by the wrestlers from within one particular promotional company. We argue, that there is no such thing as a true "World Tournament", contested by the top wrestlers from all companies.

We are therefore making arrangements to hold the TRUE official World tournament, as is held in other sports, such as soccer. We, Union of Wrestling Force International, offer to be the magnet for such an event and would like to access the top stars of each company, and would like to promote this event, on a regular basis.

We would like you (name of wrestler), to be nominated as one of the prospective contestants for the 1994 event.

We have set aside ¥100,000,000 for the winner of the 1994 tournament, and have nominated our own champion, Nobuhiko Takada, for the event. We appreciate that you have your own commitments, to shows organised by your own company. However, we would very much like to see you compete in our tournament if possible.

Should you wish to participate, please contact our office, to discuss the arrangements. We look forward to your positive response.

RSVP: By 10 March

Ken Suzuki  
(UWFI rep)

(Translated at "Banzai Press" by Wally Yamaguchi)

On that occasion, it was generally believed that the UWFI challenge had more to do with trying to gain free publicity at Chono's expense, than seriously challenging for an upcoming match.

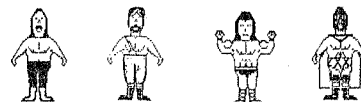
And it seems that this bid will be similarly treated.

While it is true that, despite the increasing number of inter-promotional shows, there are still few clashes between the top men of each company, the trend is a positive one in this direction. Indeed, of those challenged by UWFI, both

Tenryu and Hashimoto can put good cases to illustrate that they have a better record in this field than UWFI.

While there is clearly a need for more frequent "top contender" meetings, "cheap" challenges are only going to lessen the likelihood of such matches occurring.

UWFI should have learned this lesson in 1992!



# LORE OF THE RING

## SUMMARY OF THE GROUPS

| COMPANY NAME                            | FIRST SHOW | LAST SHOW  | STAR              |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| All Japan Pro Wrestling Association     | Apr '53    | 31 Oct '55 | Toshiyo Yamaguchi |
| Japan Pro Wrestling Association         | 30 Jul '53 | 20 Apr '73 | Rikidozan         |
| International Pro Wrestling Association | May '54    | Apr '56    | Chiyo Obata       |
| Asia Pro Wrestling                      | Not known  | Not known  | Umeyuki Kyomigawa |
| Tor Pro Wrestling                       | Aug '55    | 9 Jul '56  |                   |
| International Wrestling Association     | 24 Oct '66 | 9 Aug '81  | Various           |
| Tokyo Pro Wrestling                     | '66        | '68        | Antonio Inoki     |
| All Japan Womens Pro Wrestling          | 29 Jun '68 | CURRENT    | Various           |
| New Japan Pro Wrestling                 | 26 Jan '72 | CURRENT    | Antonio Inoki     |
| All Japan Pro Wrestling UWF             | 29 Jul '72 | CURRENT    | "Giant" Baba      |
| Japan Pro Wrestling                     | Mar '84    | Dec '85    | Akira Maeda       |
| Japan Women's Pro Wrestling             | Dec '84    | Oct '87    | Riki Choshu       |
| UWF                                     | 17 Aug '86 | Jan '92    | Jackie Sato       |
| Pioneer                                 | 12 May '88 | Jan '91    | Akira Maeda       |
| FMW                                     | 30 Apr '89 | Jul '93    | Masashi Aoyagi    |
| Universal Wrestling Federation          | 6 Oct '89  | CURRENT    | Atsushi Onita     |
| Super World Sports                      | 1 Mar '90  | '93        | Gran Hamada       |
| Pro Wrestling Fujiwara Gumi             | 2 Sep '90  | Jun '92    | Genichiro Tenryu  |
| UWF International                       | 4 Mar '91  | CURRENT    | Yoshiaki Fujiwara |
| RINGS                                   | 10 May '91 | CURRENT    | Nobuhiko Takada   |
| WAR                                     | 11 May '91 | CURRENT    | Akira Maeda       |
| Network of Wrestling                    | 14 Jul '91 | CURRENT    | Genichiro Tenryu  |
| W*ING                                   | 09 Aug '91 | '92        | George Takano     |
| JWP                                     | 10 Dec '91 | CURRENT    | Various           |
| Michinoku Pro Wrestling                 | 4 Apr '92  | CURRENT    | "Devil" Masami    |
| Oriental Pro Wrestling                  | 16 Mar '92 | CURRENT    | Great Sasuke      |
| Ladies Legend Pro Wrestling             | 26 Jul '92 | Dec '93    |                   |
| Network of Wrestling                    | 29 Aug '92 | CURRENT    | Shinobu Kandori   |
| Pro Wrestling Crusaders                 | 26 Oct '92 | CURRENT    | Kazuo Sakrada     |
| Social Pro Wrestling Federation         | 13 Feb '93 | CURRENT    | Shunji Takano     |
| Pancrasse                               | 20 Jul '93 | CURRENT    | Yoshiaki Yatsu    |
| Federation Universal de Lucha Libre     | 21 Sep '93 | CURRENT    | Masakatsu Funaki  |
| Company Kitao                           | 15 Dec '93 | CURRENT    | Gran Hamada       |
|                                         | 21 Jan '94 | CURRENT    | Koji Kitao        |

# Introduction:



## JWP女子プロレス

JWP

Company Formed: 04 March, 1992  
Home Venue: Korakuen Hall  
Tokyo, Japan.

Titles:

JWP: "Dynamite" Kansai  
JWP Tag Team: "Cutie" Suzuki/Mayumi Ozaki  
Japanese Junior: "Candy" Okutsu

| Name              | Date Born   | Debuted     | Height | Weight |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|--------|
| ----              | -----       | -----       | -----  | -----  |
| "Devil" Masami    | 07 Jan 1962 | 21 Aug 1978 | 168 cm | 78 kg  |
| "Plum" Mariko     | 01 Nov 1967 | 17 Aug 1986 | 160 cm | 59 kg  |
| Mayumi Ozaki      | 28 Oct 1968 | 17 Aug 1986 | 156 cm | 53 kg  |
| Sumiyo Toyama     | 20 Mar 1969 | 01 May 1992 | 160 cm | 65 kg  |
| "Cutie" Suzuki    | 22 Oct 1969 | 19 Sep 1986 | 155 cm | 53 kg  |
| "Dynamite" Kansai | 04 Dec 1969 | 17 Aug 1986 | 173 cm | 80 kg  |
| Hikari Fukuoka    | 23 Feb 1971 | 01 Dec 1988 | 160 cm | 59 kg  |
| "Candy" Okutsu    | 16 Jan 1975 | 04 Aug 1992 | 157 cm | 62 kg  |
| Fusayo Nouchi     | 03 Oct 1975 | Not known   | 156 cm | 57 kg  |
| Bolshoi Kid       | Special     | 26 Nov 1991 | 150 cm | 50 kg  |

## LLPW

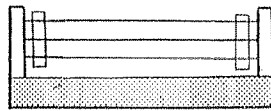
Ladies Legend Pro Wrestling

Company Formed: 10 June, 1992  
Home Venue: Korakuen Hall  
Tokyo, Japan.

Titles:

LLPW: Shinobu Kandori  
Japanese Tag Team: Yasha Kurenai/Miki Handa

| Name              | Date Born   | Debuted     | Height | Weight |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|--------|
| ----              | -----       | -----       | -----  | -----  |
| Shinobu Kandori   | 03 Nov 1964 | 17 Aug 1986 | 170 cm | 71 kg  |
| Rumi Kazama       | 28 Nov 1965 | 17 Aug 1986 | 153 cm | 55 kg  |
| Noriyo Tateno     | 01 Dec 1965 | 12 Jul 1981 | 164 cm | 68 kg  |
| "Eagle" Sawai     | 16 Dec 1967 | 05 Sep 1986 | 170 cm | 95 kg  |
| Harley Saitoh     | 21 Dec 1967 | 17 Aug 1986 | 165 cm | 63 kg  |
| Utako Hozumi      | 01 Sep 1968 | 10 Jan 1988 | 158 cm | 53 kg  |
| "General" Yukari  | 31 Oct 1968 | 10 Jan 1988 | 163 cm | 65 kg  |
| Mikiko Futagami   | 06 Jan 1969 | 01 Nov 1990 | 161 cm | 65 kg  |
| Leo Kitamura      | 20 Sep 1969 | 14 Jan 1989 | 163 cm | 63 kg  |
| Yasha Kurenai     | 23 Apr 1970 | 01 Dec 1988 | 161 cm | 65 kg  |
| Michiko Nagashima | 26 Sep 1970 | 06 Dec 1989 | 163 cm | 55 kg  |
| Carol Midori      | 16 Dec 1970 | 01 Dec 1988 | 158 cm | 58 kg  |
| Miki Handa        | 18 Apr 1971 | 23 Nov 1987 | 158 cm | 60 kg  |
| Mizuki Endoh      | 09 Nov 1971 | 04 Aug 1991 | 165 cm | 73 kg  |
| Michiko Ohmukai   | 30 May 1975 | 11 Nov 1992 | 170 cm | 68 kg  |



## "BATTLE AND ROMANCE"

Genichiro Tenryu's WAR promotional group brought in a host of special guest wrestlers for its "Battle and Romance" tour. In addition to five foreign guests, the four shows which comprised the tour saw Japanese wrestlers in from LLPW, Michinoku Pro Wrestling, FMW and Company Kitao participating. Eighteen guest wrestlers in all!

Not all appeared on the same shows however. The girls from LLPW only wrestled on the first three shows of the tour. The major event, at Tokyo's Sumo Hall, was an all men's affair, with the big FMW V WAR inter-promotional group main event.

In all, the tour was a relatively uneventful one. It was the specialness of the final night's show which was the predominant feature. WAR wrestlers faced foes from three other Japanese offices, as well as the foreigners.

The night's top two bouts received a great deal of coverage in the Japanese media. There was obvious interest in the Koji Kitao V Ishinriki clash too, despite the big size difference, due to the sumo backgrounds of both men.

But the Tenryu V Onita showdown was the clear selling point, and the surprise result of that match would appear to point towards a singles clash between the two later in the year. The most likely time and place for that to occur would be FMW's Kawasaki Dome promotion in May, although neither FMW nor WAR have officially stated that this will in fact be the case.

Just prior to this tour, WAR gained the services of Gedo and Jado from the W\*INGS company. The two have become immediately embroiled in a "mini-feud" with established WAR "young lion" Nobutako Hirai. The two newcomers have managed to gain a slight advantage in their early clashes with Hirai, but more tough matches are sure to be on the way in this rivalry.

WAR now look to their "WAR Island" tour, beginning in Kumamoto on 26 March. This tour will consist of six shows, finishing in Tokyo's Korakuen Hall on 1 April.

WAR: "BATTLE AND ROMANCE"

02 March, 1994

Sumo Hall, Tokyo

6:00 pm

### Results:

1. 30 min/1 fall  
Jado/Gedo beat Masanobu Kurisu/Nobutako Hirai (11:02) when Jado pinned Hirai with a "Power Bomb".
2. 30 min/1 fall  
Koki Kitahara beat Kim Duk (10:44) with a "Crucifix" pin.
3. 5x3 min rounds  
Hiromichi Fuyuki drew with Arashi. Fuyuki then challenged Arashi to an extra round.
4. 1x3 min round  
Hiromichi Fuyuki pinned Arashi (01:27).
5. 30 min/1 fall  
Ultimo Dragon/Masao Orihara beat Great Sasuke/SATO (28:13) when Dragon pinned SATO with a "German Suplex".
6. 45 min/1 fall  
Super Strong Machine beat Lion Heart (08:11) by pinning him after a dive off the top turnbuckle.
7. 45 min/1 fall  
King Haku beat Curtis Hughes (10:36) pinning him after a "Backdrop Hold".
8. 1 fall/No time limit  
Koji Kitao beat Koji Ishinriki (04:05) via knockout.
9. 60 min/1 fall  
Atsushi Onita/Tarzan Goto beat Genichiro Tenryu/Ashura Hara (18:13) when Onita pinned Tenryu with a "Power Bomb".

### The Event

Tokyo's Ryogoku Kokugikan (Sumo Hall) was the venue chosen for the big showdown between the top wrestlers from FMW and WAR. Squaring off in the night's much-publicised main event, were WAR's Ashura Hara and Genichiro Tenryu, and FMW's Atsushi Onita and Tarzan Goto.

One of the main features of this match, was the common background shared by all four. All began their careers, and made their names, with All Japan Pro Wrestling. At various times over the past decade however, and for various reasons, all four had departed that company, and were now part of successful new promotional groups.

It was expected that the "home advantage", and greater experience, of the WAR duo would see them through in this encounter. The FMW fans were out in force however, with their banners flying, and although outnumbered, were just as vocal in their support for Onita and Goto, as were the WAR fans.

The FMW team held the advantage for much of the match, and were able to catch Tenryu in the ring for a

sustained period. It seemed however, that they were unable to finish him off. After a number of near-pins however, Onita caught Tenryu in a "power bomb". Whether Tenryu was expecting his partner to make the save, and didn't kick out as a result is not clear, however the result was a win for the visiting team, Tenryu walking out of the ring with some apparent disgust, and Hara lying, apparently distraught, on the mat.

Also eagerly anticipated on this card, though slightly mismatched, were Koji Kitao and Koji Ishinriki. During his sumo career, Ishinriki became popular for his courageous efforts against bigger opponents. And again, in this match, he was forced to show this quality.

The result though, was never in doubt, and Kitao scored an easy win.

The other wrestler to impress on this card was Lion Heart, or Corazon de Lion, as he is known in Mexico. He performed some top aerial moves, and deserved the win here.



## 全日本女子プロレス

The past week saw All Japan Women's promote two shows in Tokyo's Korakuen Hall.

Their "Perfect Burning" tour saw them stage a card headed by a defence of the WWWA Tag Team titles by Toshiyo Yamada and Manami Toyota on Sunday 27 February. This show also saw the official retirement of Numatchi, following recent injury.

The title match saw the recent "request" by Aja Kong to her fans for more boos go unattended. Indeed, she got a lot of cheers, when in the third and deciding fall, she broke two ringside tables, piledriving first Toyota, then Yamada, through the surface.

This was not enough to win the belts however, as Kong and partner Sakie Hasegawa went down by two falls to one, after almost forty minutes of action.

The following Thursday's show may have been slightly less prestigious, but Yamada and Hasegawa stole the show with a superb thirty minute draw in the semi-final match, which was one of the best singles bouts in Tokyo this year.

Both girls gave, and received, a real beating, with many very stiff kicks to the head landing home. Yamada held the upper hand as the match progressed, but Hasegawa held on to the end.

Hasegawa in particular, has been very impressive in recent weeks, and must be an early candidate for "end of the year" awards. This draw against Yamada, and an earlier one against Toyota, are early "warnings" of her imminent graduation into the upper echelon of AJW ranks.

Etsuko Mita too, found the Thursday show a painful experience. Lying prone outside the ring, her stomach presented an easy target for a Kaoru Ito "foot stomp", where Ito leapt off the top turnbuckle to deliver it. Ouch!!!

Saturday 5 March saw Akira Hokuto return from a successful tour of Mexico, to prepare for her upcoming Yokohama Arena bout. Yokohama will be the first of only three Japanese appearances by Hokuto this coming year, before her retirement at the Tokyo Dome.



## レディースレジェンドプロレスリング

Ladies Legend Pro Wrestling promoted a card with a difference at Tokyo's Korakuen Hall on Sunday 6 March. Instead of running with an advertised line-up, the evening's matches were drawn by ballot during the opening ceremony.

With all of its 15 girls available for the show, this produced a very interesting line-up of three tag bouts, one singles match, and a handicap (2 V 1) bout.

And, indeed, it was the handicap bout which produced the most "humorous" situation of the night. Rookie Michiko Nagashima had the misfortune to draw the "outnumbered" spot, and even worse, her two opponents were to be LLPW Champion Shinobu Kandori, and Japanese Tag Team Champion Yasha Kurenai.

Poor Nagashima didn't stand a show, however she did put up a brave battle. Both Kandori and Kurenai played with her during the early stages, but Nagashima kept trying to fight back, much to the delight of the fans. She won a great deal of support for her efforts, and this was evident at the announcement of each ("5-minutely") time elapsed call.

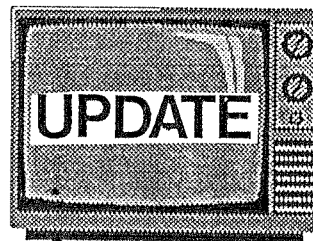
The end had to come at some stage though, and it was Kurenai who put an end to the torture, with just over 15 minutes gone.

The opening bout was an excellent matchup, featuring Harley Saitoh and Noriyo Tateno. Throughout, the advantage swung from one to the other, with numerous near pins. In the end however, the clock was the winner, providing an inconclusive result after 30 minutes of action.

The second bout also resulted in a draw, with Yukari Shura and Mikiko Futagami still battling it out with Mizuki Endoh and Carol Midori.

Rumi Kazama made short work of the singles bout, quickly despatching Leo Kitamura, while Utako Hozumi and Miki Handa got the better of "Eagle" Sawai and Michiko Ohmukai in the main event.

Prior to the commencement of the show, four new trainees were introduced to the fans. These new girls are expected to make their debuts later in the year.



26 February (WAR):

- Matches held in Korakuen Hall on 24 February, 1994

1. Kitahara/Tenryu V Fuyuki/Machine
2. Ishinriki V Dragon

26 February (New Japan):

- Matches held in Sumo Hall on 17 February, 1994

1. Lyger/Power Warrior V Steiner brothers
2. Hashimoto V Tenryu

27 February (All Japan):

- Matches held in Kumagaya on 24 February, 1994

1. Misawa/Kobashi/Akiyama V Hansen/Nord/Van Dam
2. Taue/Kawada V Patriot/Eagle

05 March (New Japan):

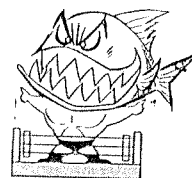
- Matches held in Budokan Hall on 24 February, 1994

1. Hashimoto V Lyger
2. Kido/Choshu/Fujinami V Power Warrior/Iizuka/Nogami

06 March (All Japan):

- Matches held in Budokan Hall on 5 March, 1994

1. Baba/Hansen V Misawa/Kobashi



(Editorial: From page 2)

more to one specific style of wrestling, or promotional company.

Possibly, readers can offer alternative solutions. Our purpose in starting this project was to inform wrestling fans about the Japanese scene, so please keep the feedback coming in. We welcome your valuable opinions.



# CALENDAR

| APR 94 | ALL JAPAN        | NEW JAPAN          | ALL JAPAN WOMEN     | NOW             | WAR                | JWP             | UWFI         |  |
|--------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|--|
| 1      | Osayama          |                    | Okinawa             |                 | Korakuen Hall      |                 |              |  |
| 2      | Fuzuo, Shimane   |                    |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 3      |                  | Korakuen Hall      | Korakuen Hall       |                 |                    |                 | Osaka Castle |  |
| 4      | Sasebo, Nagasaki | Hiroshima          |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 5      | Kumamoto         | Omori, Nagasaki    | Fuzuo, Shizuoka     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 6      | Hakata, Fukuoka  | Saiki, Oita        |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 7      | Niigata, Oita    | Kumamoto           |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 8      |                  | Fukuoka            | Aizu, Fukushima     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 9      |                  |                    | Sendai, Miyagi      |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 10     | Sendai, Miyagi   | Sorima, Nagasaki   | Koriyama, Fukushima |                 |                    | Korakuen Hall   |              |  |
| 11     | Osaka            | Nitakushu, Fukuoka | Saitama             |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 12     | Matuzaka, Mie    | Fuzuo, Fukuoka     |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 13     |                  |                    |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 14     | Nagayo, Aichi    | Nishiwaki, Hyogo   |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 15     | Korakuen Hall    | Okazaki, Aichi     | Komagane, Nagano    |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 16     | Budokan Hall     | Sumo Hall          | Sanshin, Nagano     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 17     |                  |                    |                     | Shimozuma       |                    |                 |              |  |
| 18     |                  |                    |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 19     |                  |                    | Choshi, Chiba       | Minami-Ashigara |                    |                 |              |  |
| 20     |                  |                    |                     | Yashio, Saitama |                    | Fida, Saitama   |              |  |
| 21     |                  |                    | Hamamatsu           |                 | Gifu               |                 |              |  |
| 22     |                  |                    |                     | Korakuen Hall   |                    |                 |              |  |
| 23     |                  |                    | Noda, Chiba         |                 | Kanazawa, Ishikawa |                 |              |  |
| 24     |                  |                    |                     |                 | Fukui City, Fukui  |                 |              |  |
| 25     |                  |                    | Osaka, Osaka        |                 | Niigata            |                 |              |  |
| 26     |                  |                    | Eiga, Gifu          |                 | Iwate, Morioka     |                 |              |  |
| 27     |                  |                    |                     |                 | Komazawa, Tokyo    |                 |              |  |
| 28     |                  |                    |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |
| 29     |                  |                    |                     |                 |                    | Saga-ken        |              |  |
| 30     |                  |                    | Kisarazu, Chiba     |                 |                    | Nakama, Fukuoka |              |  |
| 31     |                  |                    |                     |                 |                    |                 |              |  |

## OTHER SHOWS ANNOUNCED:

|             |                           |                  |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 1 May       | Fukuoka Dome              | New Japan        |
| 5 May       | Kawasaki Baseball Stadium | FMW              |
| 6 May       | Budokan Hall              | UWFI             |
| 7 May       | Yokohama Arena            | WWF              |
| 8 May       | Nagoya Rainbow Hall       | WWF              |
| 9 May       | Osaka Castle Hall         | WWF              |
| 11 May      | Sapporo (TBA)             | WWF              |
| 22 May      | Ariake Colliseum          | JWP              |
| 24 June     | Budokan Hall              | UWFI             |
| 18 August   | Budokan Hall              | UWFI             |
| 24 August   | Budokan Hall              | All Japan Womens |
| 20 November | Tokyo Egg Dome            | All Japan Womens |

Further information regarding these, and other, cards to be held in Japan can be obtained from:

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## 新日本プロレス

New Japan Pro wrestling has released initial details of its major tours, and big shows for the next twelve months.

Currently in progress, is New Japan's "Hyper Battle '94" tour, which is scheduled to run from 5-24 March.

The "1994 Battle Rush" tour will be held from 3-16 April, with the final night's show, at Tokyo's Budokan Hall, featuring the first round of a special Junior Heavyweight division tournament.

The "Best of Super Junior Heavyweight Tournament" will run from 26 May to 15 June, again with the final night's show in Budokan Hall. "Summer Struggle '94" will follow, from 1-21 July, with big shows in Sapporo on 8 and 9 July.

"G1 Climax" will be held from 3-7 August, while a subsequent "G1 Climax Special" tour will run from 17-27 September. In between these the "Summer Festival" tour will be held, from 20-28 August.

The annual tag team tournament will be held during October; the tour commencing on 9 October, and finishing in Sumo Hall on 30 October.

"Battle Final '94" is the last tour of the year, running from 23 November to 13 December.

In addition to these tours, special "one-off" shows will be held. The "1994 Wrestling Dontaku" show in Fukuoka Dome on 1 May is the first, and largest of these. But three others, all at Tokyo's Korakuen Hall will be held on 18 June, 6 November, and 24 December.

Looking ahead to 1995, 4 January will again see New Japan promote at the Tokyo Egg Dome.

"Fighting Spirit '95" will be New Japan's first tour of the year, running from 30 January to 19 February, while "Hyper Battle '95" will begin on 5 March, and conclude on 25 March 1995.

In our next edition, we preview the "1994 Battle Rush" tour, and the Junior Heavyweight tournament which will highlight that event.



## 全日本女子プロレス

All Japan Womens has added more matches to the list of those scheduled for their "Wrestling Queendom" show, in Yokohama Arena, on 27 March.

The full list, as announced so far, is as follows:

1. Tag match:  
Akira Hokuto/Shinobu Kandori V Aja Kong/"Bull" Nakano.
2. JWP V AJW:  
"Dynamite" Kansai V Sakie Hasegawa.
3. IWA Title defence:  
Manami Toyota (Champ) V "Plum" Mariko (JWP)
4. JWP Tag Title defence:  
"Cutie" Suzuki/Mayumi Ozaki (Champs) V Etsuko Mita/Mima Shimoda (AJW).
5. Japanese Jr Title defence:  
"Candy" Okutsu (JWP - champ) V the winner of AJW's "Rookies League" tournament currently in progress.
6. AJW V JWP:  
Chapparita ASARI V Hikari Fukuoka.
7. Tag team match:  
Yumiko Hotta/Takako Inoue V "Eagle" Sawai (LLPW)/Reggie Bennett (USA).
8. Japanese Tag Title defence:  
Miki Handa/Yasha Kurenai (LLPW - Champs) V Tomoko Watanabe/Kaoru Ito (AJW)
9. AJW V FMW Tag team match:  
Suzuka Minami/unnamed V Megumi Kudo/"Nurse" Nakamura.
10. All Pacific Title defence:  
Toshiyo Yamada (Champ) V Kyoko Inoue.

The show will begin at 3:00 pm.

And AJW have also announced five matches for their "Super Hurricane" show, in Sendai, on 9 April. These are as follows:

1. Tag team match:  
"Bull" Nakano/Sakie Hasegawa V Manami Toyota/Kyoko Inoue.
2. Special match:  
Aja Kong (AJW) V Reggie Bennett (USA).
3. Japanese Title defence:  
Mima Shimoda (AJW - Champ) V Miki Handa (LLPW).
4. AJW V LLPW Tag team match:  
Yumiko Hotta/Toshiyo Yamada V Shinobu Kandori/Harley Saito.
5. AJW V LLPW Singles match:  
Etsuko Mita V "Eagle" Sawai.

"Super Hurricane" will be the major show of All Japan Women's "Girl Mania - Spring '94" tour, scheduled to run from 30 March to 30 April.



JWP\* has confirmed the first match of its "Super Major Queen's Flash" card at the Ariake Colliseum on 22 May, 1994.

As per earlier indications, "Bull" Nakano (All Japan Women's) will team with "Devil" Masami (JWP) against Sakie Hasegawa (AJW) and Hikari Fukuoka (JWP).

This matchup pits the two veterans of the respective companies, against the two "rising stars". However, in terms of size, the odds must certainly favour Nakano and Masami, who have a huge advantage, particularly over Fukuoka.

Further matchups are expected to be announced over the coming weeks.

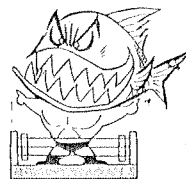
Leading up to this event however, JWP's wrestlers have a number of important shows.

This coming Sunday (13 March) for example, JWP hosts a special challenge match in Tokyo's Korakuen Hall. This bout will pit former "Crush Gal" Chigusa Nagayo against JWP Tag Team Champion "Cutie" Suzuki. Nagayo is currently still only wrestling on a part-time basis, and is expected to make an announcement regarding a full-time return at, or soon after, "Super Major Queen's Flash".

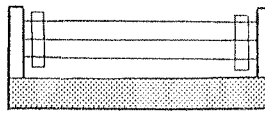
And in a big news item, Suzuki and Mayumi Ozaki will defend their JWP Tag Team titles at AJW's "Wrestling Queendom". Their challengers will be Etsuko Mita and Mima Shimoda.

This will be the first time that a JWP title has been defended on a show hosted by another promotional company.

"Candy" Okutsu will also be defending the Japanese Junior title she won at "St Final" last December. Her opponent will be the winner of the "Rookies League" tournament currently being contested by the young girls from All Japan Women's Pro Wrestling.



# RINGSIDE REPORTER



全日本プロレス

## ALL JAPAN: "EXCITE SERIES"

05 March, 1994 Budokan Hall, Tokyo 6:00 pm

### Results:

1. 15 min/1 fall  
Satoru Asako beat Kintaro Shiga (07:33), pinning him after a "Pile driver".
2. 20 min/1 fall  
Al Perez/Barry Horowitz beat Dory Funk Jr/Masao Inoue (13:08) when Perez pinned Inoue after a spinning "Splash Mountain".
3. 30 min/1 fall  
Dan Kroffat/Doug Furnas beat Tamon Honda/Yoshinari Ogawa (07:32) when Furnas pinned Honda with a "Kobashi suplex".
4. 30 min/1 fall  
"Rusher" Kimura/"Mighty" Inoue/Mitsuo Momota beat Masa Fuchi/Haruka Eigen/Ryuukaku Izumida (18:13) when Kimura pinned Izumida with a "Half Crab".
5. 30 min/1 fall  
Johnny Ace/Richard Slinger/Rob van Dam beat Patriot/Eagle/Johnny Gunn (11:42) when Ace pinned Gunn after a "Neckbreaker".
6. 45 min/1 fall  
Akira Taue/Toshiaki Kawada beat Jun Akiyama/Takao Omori (12:02) when Taue pinned Omori with a "Choke Slam".
7. 45 min/1 fall  
Steve Williams beat John Nord (09:21) pinning him after a "Side Backdrop Hold".
8. 60 min/1 fall  
Mitsuhara Misawa/Kenta Kobashi beat "Giant" Baba/Stan Hansen (35:11) when Misawa pinned Baba after a "Clothesline" off the top turnbuckle.

### The Event

The final show of All Japan's "'94 Excite Series" was always going to be a one match show. The rematch from the 1993 "Real World Tag Team Tournament", between event winners, and PWF and International Tag Team Title holders Mitsuhara Misawa and Kenta Kobashi, and "Giant" Baba and Stan Hansen drew 16,300 rabid fans to Budokan Hall.

The 1993 bout between the two teams had resulted in a 30 minute draw; the only tournament match Misawa and Kobashi did not win. This time, the two teams were set to battle it out for up to 60 minutes, although no titles were at stake on this occasion.

The crowd was vocal in its support for both teams; clearly more intent on seeing a good wrestling bout, than favouring either particular team. Baba and Hansen held the upper hand for the greater part of the bout, but it was the younger duo which eventually won the day.

For the legendary Baba, the result was a rare pinfall loss, and one which further

establishes Misawa and Kobashi as the top team in All Japan at this time.

To the traditionally conservative All Japan fans, the next most popular wrestler on the card was veteran Dory Funk Jr. During the 1970s and 80s, the Funk brothers were the major attractions on All Japan cards, and the crowd has certainly not forgotten them. Though maybe a little slower now, Dory was still able to show some top wrestling action in his tag team bout.

New boy Kintaro Shiga was popular too. In his first appearance at Budokan Hall, Shiga received a great deal of support from the fans. He performed some good aerial moves too, and once he gains more ring experience, should prove a very competent wrestler.

Other top efforts on the night came from young Rob van Dam, and Johnny Ace. Van Dam is another youngster with a lot of potential. This was only his second tour for All Japan, but watch out for him in a couple of years time.

## "'94 EXCITE SERIES"

All Japan's 1994 "Excite Series" consisted of twelve shows in a variety of venues around Japan. Beginning with two shows in Korakuen Hall, the tour returned to Tokyo for the final show; the first of the year (for All Japan) in Budokan Hall.

No less than fourteen foreign wrestlers were part of the touring party for this tour. Veterans Stan Hansen and Dory Funk Jr were joined by regulars Steve Williams, Johnny Ace, Doug Furnas, Danny Kroffat and Richard Slinger. Patriot, The Eagle, John Nord, Al Perez, Barry Horowitz, Rob van Dam and Johnny Gunn rounded off the contingent.

The main bout of the tour undoubtedly took place on the final night, with PWF and International Tag Team Champions Mitsuhara Misawa and Kenta Kobashi squaring off in a non-title bout with "Giant" Baba and Stan Hansen.

But there were several other significant bouts during the tour as well.

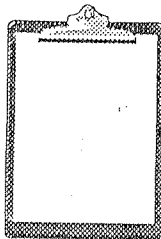
21 February saw Kintaro Shiga make his pro wrestling debut in the Tateyama Shimin Centre in Chiba. Shiga actually made several appearances in opening bouts on the tour, and although unsuccessful in terms of results, he showed some great potential.

And on 26 February, young rising star Tsuyoshi Kikuchi returned to the ring after a layoff of several months due to a shoulder injury. While "gently" eased back into the tour situation with "softer" matches, Kikuchi showed no signs of physical decline from his time away, and his return was a successful one.

"Jumbo" Tsuruta too made a special reappearance after time away from the ring, with a one-night-only appearance in Kasugaya.

There were two title defences on the tour. Masa Fuchi retained his PWF Junior Heavyweight Title against Dan Kroffat in Mito on 27 February, while Kroffat and Doug Furnas successfully defended the All-Asian Tag Team Titles in Kasugaya, against Patriot and The Eagle.

# SCORE



# SHEET

## LLPW

01. 19 Feb 1994 12:30 ( 1970 )  
Nagoya

- 01 20 min/1 fall  
M.Futagami W M.Endoh  
11:42
- 02 30 min/1 fall  
M.Handa W L.Kitamura  
11:52
- 03 45 min/1 fall  
R.Kazama/H.Saito W  
Y.Kurenai/M.Nagashima  
12:42 RK:MN
- 04 45 min/1 fall  
N.Tateno W C.Midori  
14:14
- 05 60 min/1 fall  
E.Sawai/U.Hozumi W  
S.Kandori/Y.Shura  
14:51 ES:YS

02. 20 Feb 1994 12:30 ( 1800 )  
Korakuen Hall, Tokyo

- 01 20 min/1 fall  
M.Endoh W M.Ohmukai  
09:25 Dragon sleeper
- 02 30 min/1 fall  
Y.Shura W U.Hozumi  
13:34 Drop slam
- 03 45 min/1 fall  
N.Tateno/M.Futagami W  
Y.Kurenai/M.Nagashima  
19:36 MF:MN Figure four  
leglock
- 04 45 min/1 fall  
R.Kazama/C.Midori W  
H.Saito/L.Kitamura  
13:34
- 05 LLPW Title  
60 min/1 fall  
S.Kandori W E.Sawai  
15:24

## NEW JAPAN

"Thanks Wrestling Day  
Brush Up"

24 Feb 1994  
1 show only

Japanese Guests:  
Yoshiaki Yatsu SPWF

01. 24 Feb 1994 18:30 (14214)  
Budokan Hall, Tokyo

- 01 20 min/1 fall  
T.Ishizawa W T.Takaiwa  
14:56
- 02 20 min/1 fall

M.Nakanishi/S.Kojima W  
S.Ohtani/Y.Nagata  
18:43

- 03 30 min/1 fall  
N.Honaga/Y.Yatsu/H.Saito  
W M.Ohara/K.Kobayashi/  
S.Koshinaka  
18:13 YY/MO
- 04 30 min/1 fall  
H.Hase W T.Yasuda  
10:26
- 05 45 min/1 fall  
T.Gotoh W M.Chono  
12:38
- 06 60 min/1 fall  
O.Kido/R.Choshu/T.Fujinami  
W P.Warrior/A.Nogami/  
T.Iizuka  
17:25 TF:AN
- 07 60 min/1 fall  
S.Hashimoto W J.Lyger  
23:08

## WAR

"Battle and Romance"

24 Feb - 03 Mar 1994  
4 shows

Foreign Guests (From 24 Feb):  
Kim Duk

King Haku  
Lion Heart 2  
Rio Lord of the Jungle

Foreign Guests (From 02 Mar):  
Curtis Hughes

Japanese Guests:

Atsushi Onita FMW  
Tarzan Goto FMW  
Koji Kitao KITAO  
Great Sasuke MPW  
SATO MPW  
Shinobu Kandori LLPW  
Yukari Shura LLPW  
Carol Midori LLPW  
Harley Saito LLPW  
"Eagle" Sawai LLPW  
Utako Hozumi LLPW  
Rumi Kazama LLPW  
Mizuki Endoh LLPW

01. 24 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2000 )  
Korakuen Hall, Tokyo

- 01 30 min/1 fall  
L.Heart W R.Jungle  
09:55
- 02 30 min/1 fall  
S.Kandori/Y.Shura W  
H.Saito/C.Midori  
15:05
- 03 30 min/1 fall  
A.Hara W K.Haku  
11:52 Clothesline
- 04 30 min/1 fall

Gedo W Y.Yasanaoka  
16:53

- 05 30 min/1 fall  
N.Hirai W Jado  
17:56 Roll up
- 06 30 min/1 fall  
Arashi W M.Orihara  
03:08 Pin
- 07 30 min/1 fall  
T.Ishikawa W K.Duk  
07:49 Small package
- 08 30 min/1 fall  
K.Ishinriki W U.Dragon  
16:43
- 09 60 min/1 fall  
G.Tenryu/K.Kitahara W  
H.Fuyuki/S.Machine  
16:02 KK:HF Atomic drop

02. 25 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2000 )  
Toyota.

- 01 30 min/1 fall  
Jado W N.Hirai  
15:02
- 02 30 min/1 fall  
E.Sawai/U.Hozumi W  
R.Kazama/M.Endoh  
16:34 UH:ME
- 03 30 min/1 fall  
L.Heart W M.Orihara  
13:09
- 04 30 min/1 fall  
S.Machine/U.Dragon W  
H.Fuyuki/K.Ishinriki  
30:00 Time limit expiry
- 05 5x3 min rounds  
Arashi W M.Kurisu  
02:21 (R2)
- 06 60 min/1 fall  
G.Tenryu/K.Kitahara/  
A.Hara W R.Jungle/Haku/  
K.Duk  
15:37 GT:RJ

03. 26 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2200 )  
Matsumoto.

- 01 30 min/1 fall  
N.Hirai W Gedo  
16:39
- 02 30 min/1 fall  
E.Sawai/R.Kazama W  
M.Endoh/U.Hozumi  
14:49 ES:UH
- 03 30 min/1 fall  
K.Duk W L.Heart  
16:32
- 04 30 min/1 fall  
S.Machine W M.Kurisu  
09:21
- 05 5x3 min rounds  
Arashi D H.Fuyuki  
03:00 (R5) Time expiry
- 06 45 min/1 fall  
Haku W R.Jungle  
10:13
- 07 60 min/1 fall  
A.Hara/K.Kitahara/  
K.Ishinriki W G.Tenryu/

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| <p>U.Dragon/M.Orihara<br/>19:26 AH:MO</p> <p>04. 02 Mar 1994 18:00 (11000)<br/>Sumo Hall, Tokyo.</p> <p>01 30 min/1 fall<br/>Jado/Gedo W M.Kurisu/<br/>N.Hirai<br/>11:02 J:NH Power bomb</p> <p>02 30 min/1 fall<br/>K.Kitahara W K.Duk<br/>10:44 Crucifix</p> <p>03 5x3 min rounds<br/>H.Fuyuki D Arashi<br/>03:00 Time expiry</p> <p>04 1x3 min extra round<br/>H.Fuyuki W Arashi<br/>01:27</p> <p>05 30 min/1 fall<br/>U.Dragon/M.Orihara W<br/>G.Sasuke/SATO<br/>28:13 UD:S German suplex</p> <p>06 45 min/1 fall<br/>S.Machine W L.Heart<br/>08:11 Dive off top rope</p> <p>07 45 min/1 fall<br/>K.Haku W C.Hughes<br/>10:36 Backdrop hold</p> <p>08 1 fall/No time limit<br/>K.Kitao W K.Ishinriki<br/>04:05 KO</p> <p>09 60 min/1 fall<br/>A.Onita/T.Goto W G.Tenryu/<br/>A.Hara<br/>18:13 AO:GT Power bomb</p> | <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>A.Abe W M.Yokoe<br/>06:02</p> <p>02 15 min/1 fall<br/>C.Shiratori W R.Tamada<br/>07:10</p> <p>03 20 min/1 fall<br/>T.Watanabe W K.Maekawa<br/>05:42</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>B.Nakano/Y.Hotta/S.Minami<br/>W T.Yamada/S.Hasegawa/<br/>T.Inoue<br/>20:18 SM:TI</p> <p>05 30 min/1 fall<br/>K.Inoue W E.Mita<br/>12:56</p> <p>06 60 min/1 fall<br/>M.Shimoda/M.Toyota W<br/>A.Kong/K.Ito<br/>21:05 MT:KI</p> <p>27. 14 Feb 1994 18:30 (1430)<br/>Hofu, Yamaguchi.</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>K.Maekawa W A.Abe<br/>06:55</p> <p>02 15 min/1 fall<br/>R.Tamada W M.Yokoe<br/>08:09</p> <p>03 20 min/1 fall<br/>K.Ito/T.Watanabe W<br/>E.Mita/C.Shiratori<br/>14:29 KI:CS</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>B.Nakano/S.Minami W<br/>M.Toyota/T.Inoue<br/>17:24 BN:MT</p> <p>05 30 min/1 fall<br/>A.Kong W M.Shimoda<br/>15:25</p> <p>06 60 min/1 fall<br/>T.Yamada/K.Inoue W<br/>Y.Hotta/S.Hasegawa<br/>15:53 KI:SH</p> | <p>05 30 min/1 fall<br/>M.Toyota W E.Mita<br/>18:50</p> <p>06 60 min/1 fall<br/>A.Kong/Y.Hotta W<br/>B.Nakano/S.Minami<br/>18:29 AK:SM</p> <p>30. 17 Feb 1994 18:30 (1990)<br/>Kumamoto City.</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>R.Tamada W C.Shiratori<br/>10:21</p> <p>02 20 min/1 fall<br/>E.Mita/M.Shimoda W<br/>T.Watanabe/K.Maekawa<br/>13:35 MS:TW Tiger suplex</p> <p>03 30 min/1 fall<br/>Y.Hotta/S.Minami W<br/>M.Toyota/K.Ito<br/>20:27 SM:KI</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>B.Nakano W T.Inoue<br/>15:03</p> <p>05 60 min/1 fall<br/>A.Kong/S.Hasegawa W<br/>T.Yamada/K.Inoue<br/>18:20 AK:KI</p> <p>31. 18 Feb 1994 18:30 (2150)<br/>Hakata Star Lanes, Fukuoka</p> <p>01 "Rookies League" Tourney<br/>15 min/1 fall<br/>A.Abe W M.Yokoe<br/>06:29<br/>Tourney: AA=1 MY=0</p> <p>02 30 min/1 fall<br/>S.Minami/C.Shiratori/<br/>K.Maekawa W E.Mita/<br/>R.Tamada/T.Watanabe<br/>17:47 SM:EM</p> <p>03 30 min/1 fall<br/>T.Inoue W M.Shimoda<br/>18:09</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>B.Nakano/A.Kong W K.Ito/<br/>S.Hasegawa<br/>22:31 BN:SH</p> <p>05 60 min/1 fall<br/>Y.Hotta/K.Inoue W<br/>T.Yamada/M.Toyota<br/>22:02 YH:MT</p> |
| <p>JWP</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <p>"Smash Hit '94"</p> <p>11 Feb - 25 Mar 1994<br/>5 shows</p> <p>Japanese Guests: Ind<br/>Chigusa Nagayo</p> <p>03. 19 Feb 1994 18:30 (2150)<br/>Hakata Star Lanes, Fukuoka</p> <p>01 30 min/1 fall<br/>F.Nouchi W H.Sugo<br/>12:20</p> <p>02 45 min/1 fall<br/>D.Masami W P.Mariko<br/>22:49</p> <p>03 45 min/1 fall<br/>D.Kansai W C.Bolshoi<br/>09:53</p> <p>04 60 min/1 fall<br/>F.Nouchi/D.Kansai/<br/>P.Mariko W D.Masami/<br/>C.Bolshoi/H.Sugo<br/>22:30 PM:CB</p> <p>05 JWP Tag Team Titles<br/>60 min/1 fall<br/>C.Suzuki/M.Ozaki W<br/>H.Fukuoka/C.Okutsu<br/>20:02 CS:HF</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p>28. 15 Feb 1994 18:30 (1180)<br/>Ube, Yamaguchi.</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>K.Maekawa W R.Tamada<br/>07:07</p> <p>02 20 min/1 fall<br/>S.Minami/C.Shiratori W<br/>E.Mita/S.Hasegawa<br/>16:53 SM:EM</p> <p>03 30 min/1 fall<br/>T.Yamada/K.Inoue W<br/>B.Nakano/K.Ito<br/>21:45 TY:KI</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>Y.Hotta W M.Shimoda<br/>14:28</p> <p>05 60 min/1 fall<br/>M.Toyota/T.Inoue W<br/>A.Kong/T.Watanabe<br/>20:58 MT:TW</p> <p>29. 16 Feb 1984 18:30 (1895)<br/>Hakata Star Lanes, Fukuoka</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>C.Shiratori W M.Yokoe<br/>08:10</p> <p>02 15 min/1 fall<br/>T.Watanabe W K.Maekawa<br/>06:29</p> <p>03 20 min/1 fall<br/>M.Shimoda W K.Ito<br/>16:40</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>T.Yamada/K.Inoue W<br/>T.Inoue/S.Hasegawa<br/>17:39 KI:TI</p>                                                                                                                                                    | <p>32. 19 Feb 1994 18:30 (1860)<br/>Hiroshima City.</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>K.Maekawa W R.Tamada<br/>07:14</p> <p>02 20 min/1 fall<br/>T.Watanabe W C.Shiratori<br/>07:50</p> <p>03 30 min/1 fall<br/>T.Yamada/K.Inoue W<br/>M.Shimoda/E.Mita<br/>16:08 TY:EM</p> <p>04 30 min/1 fall<br/>S.Hasegawa D K.Ito<br/>30:00 Time expiry</p> <p>05 60 min/1 fall<br/>A.Kong/B.Nakano/S.Minami<br/>W Y.Hotta/M.Toyota/<br/>T.Inoue<br/>18:01 AK:TI</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>All Japan Women</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <p>"'94 Perfect Burning"</p> <p>(03 Jan to 21 Mar 1994)<br/>50 shows</p> <p>26. 13 Feb 1994 18:30 (1250)<br/>Yamaguchi Prefecture.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>33. 20 Feb 1984 18:30 (1620)<br/>Tokuyame, Yamaguchi.</p> <p>01 15 min/1 fall<br/>R.Tamada W K.Maekawa<br/>06:15</p> <p>02 20 min/1 fall<br/>E.Mita/C.Shiratori W<br/>M.Shimoda/T.Watanabe<br/>10:36 EM:TW</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

03 30 min/1 fall  
B.Nakano/S.Minami W  
Y.Hota/M.Toyota  
18:59 BN:MT  
04 30 min/1 fall  
A.Kong W T.Inoue  
16:32  
05 60 min/1 fall  
T.Yamada/K.Inoue W  
K.Ito/S.Hasegawa  
18:32 TY:KI

34. 21 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 1760 )  
Himeji, Hyogo.

01 "Rookies League" Tourney  
15 min/1 fall  
K.Maekawa W M.Yokoe  
07:40  
Tourney: KM=1 MY=0  
02 20 min/1 fall  
S.Minami/C.Shiratori W  
M.Shimoda/T.Watanabe  
17:19 SM:MS  
03 30 min/1 fall  
K.Inoue/T.Inoue W  
E.Mita/K.Ito  
16:14 KI:KI  
04 30 min/1 fall  
M.Toyota D S.Hasegawa  
30:00 Time expiry  
05 60 min/1 fall  
A.Kong/B.Nakano W  
T.Yamada/Y.Hotta  
18:01 BN:TY

35. 22 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 1220 )  
Tsushima, Aichi.

01 15 min/1 fall  
K.Maekawa W C.Shiratori  
05:57  
02 20 min/1 fall  
T.Watanabe W R.Tamada  
05:59  
03 30 min/1 fall  
B.Nakano/S.Minami/E.Mita  
W K.Ito/K.Inoue/Y.Hotta  
18:50 BN:KI  
04 30 min/1 fall  
T.Yamada W M.Shimoda  
12:26  
05 60 min/1 fall  
A.Kong/S.Hasegawa W  
M.Toyota/T.Inoue  
15:46 AK:TI

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"King's Road"

25 Feb 1994  
1 show only

Foreign Guests:  
Gary Albright 26  
Gene Riddick 11  
Dan Severn 9  
Billy Scott 8  
Steve Nelson 2

01. 25 Feb 1994 18:30 (16000)  
Budokan Hall, Tokyo.

01 20 min/1 fall  
S.Nelson W K.Sakuraba  
10:35  
02 30 min/1 fall  
T.Nakano W Y.Takayama  
05:53  
03 30 min/1 fall  
Y.Miyatoh W H.Kanehara  
09:31  
04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Riddick W B.Scott

07:35  
05 30 min/1 fall  
Y.Anjoh W K.Yamazaki  
14:39  
06 30 min/1 fall  
N.Takada/N.Sano W  
G.Albright/D.Severn  
19:03 NT:DS TKO  
07 60 min/1 fall  
M.Kakihara W K.Tamura  
13:46

ALL JAPAN

"'94 Excite Series"

19 Feb - 05 Mar 1994  
12 shows

Foreign Guests:  
Stan Hansen 86  
Dory Funk Jr 44  
Steve Williams 38  
Doug Furnas 31  
Danny Kroffat 29  
Johnny Ace 27  
Richard Slinger 19  
Patriot 12  
The Eagle 8  
"Big" John Nord 8  
Al Perez 4  
Barry Horowitz 4  
Rob van Dam 2  
Johnny Gunn 2

01. 19 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2100 )  
Korakuen Hall, Tokyo.

01 30 min/1 fall  
J.Gunn W Masao Inoue  
13:20  
02 30 min/1 fall  
D.Funk W Mighty Inoue  
10:11  
03 30 min/1 fall  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat W  
R.Slinger/R.Dam  
14:18 DK:RS  
04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/Y.Ogawa  
W M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/  
R.Izumida  
24:19 YO:RI  
05 30 min/1 fall  
A.Taue/T.Honda W  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz  
12:59 AT:BH  
06 30 min/1 fall  
T.Kawada/T.Omori W  
K.Kobashi/S.Asako  
19:05 TK:SA  
07 45 min/1 fall  
S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
J.Ace/Patriot  
12:30 SH:P  
08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/J.Akiyama W  
S.Williams/Eagle  
16:01 MM:E

02. 20 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2100 )  
Korakuen Hall, Tokyo

01 30 min/1 fall  
Y.Ogawa W J.Gunn  
12:30  
02 30 min/1 fall  
D.Funk W Masao Inoue  
12:24  
03 30 min/1 fall  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat W  
J.Akiyama/T.Honda  
13:32 DF:TH DDT  
04 30 min/1 fall

G.Baba/G.Kimura/M.Momota  
D M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/  
R.Izumida  
30:00 Time expired  
05 30 min/1 fall  
Patriot/Eagle W A.Perez/  
B.Horowitz  
12:55 E:BH  
06 45 min/1 fall  
S.Williams/J.Ace/  
R.Slinger W S.Hansen/  
J.Nord/R.Dam  
12:44 SW:RD  
07 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
S.Asako W T.Kawada/  
A.Taue/T.Omori  
24:54 KK:TO

03. 21 Feb 1994 18:00 ( 1800 )  
Tateyama Shimin Centre,  
Chiba.

01 15 min/1 fall  
S.Asako W K.Shiga  
07:59  
02 20 min/1 fall  
Mighty Inoue W Masao  
Inoue  
12:05  
03 30 min/1 fall  
Y.Ogawa W R.Dam  
08:30  
04 30 min/1 fall  
Patriot/Eagle W D.Funk/  
T.Honda  
16:44 P:TH  
05 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/M.Momota  
W M.Fuchi/R.Izumida/  
H.Eigen  
25:21 GB:HE  
06 30 min/1 fall  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat W  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz  
11:03 DF:AP  
07 45 min/1 fall  
T.Kawada/A.Taue/T.Omori  
W S.Williams/J.Ace/  
R.Slinger  
16:04 AT:RS  
08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
J.Akiyama W S.Hansen/  
J.Nord/J.Gunn  
15:58 JA:JG

04. 22 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2050 )  
Sawara Shimin Gym, Chiba.

01 15 min/1 fall  
S.Asako W K.Shiga  
10:07  
02 30 min/1 fall  
J.Gunn/R.Dam W Mighty  
Inoue/Masao Inoue  
13:52 RD:Ma  
03 30 min/1 fall  
R.Slinger W T.Honda  
11:17  
04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/M.Momota  
W M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/  
R.Izumida  
22:04 RK:RI  
05 30 min/1 fall  
D.Funk/T.Omori W A.Perez/  
B.Horowitz  
15:31 TO:BH  
06 45 min/1 fall  
Patriot/Eagle W  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas  
18:12 P:DF  
07 45 min/1 fall  
S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
S.Williams/J.Ace  
16:00 SH:JA Lariat

08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
J.Akiyama W T.Kawada/  
A.Taue/Y.Ogawa  
20:22 MM:YO

05. 24 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 3100 )  
Kumagaya Shimin Gym,  
Saitama.

01 15 min/1 fall  
S.Asako W K.Shiga  
08:57

02 30 min/1 fall  
R.Slinger W Masao Inoue  
12:06

03 30 min/1 fall  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz W  
D.Funk/T.Honda  
15:59 AP:TH

04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/Mighty  
Inoue W M.Fuchi/  
R.Izumida/H.Eigen  
27:05 GB:RI

05 30 min/1 fall  
T.Omori W J.Gunn  
13:00

06 30 min/1 fall  
S.Williams/J.Ace W  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat  
14:31 JA:DK "Ace Special"

07 45 min/1 fall  
T.Kawada/A.Taue W  
Patriot/Eagle  
13:32 TK:E

08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
J.Akiyama W S.Hansen/  
J.Nord/R.Dam  
17:58 KK:RD

06. 25 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2900 )  
Tsukinomori Sports Centre,  
Iwatsuki City, Saitama.

01 30 min/1 fall  
J.Ace W Mighty Inoue  
08:10 "Ace Special"

02 30 min/1 fall  
H.Eigen/R.Izumida W  
M.Momota/R.Kimura  
20:57 HE:MM

03 30 min/1 fall  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat W  
J.Gunn/R.Dam  
14:08 DF:RD

04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/D.Funk/M.Fuchi  
W T.Honda/T.Omori/  
J.Akiyama  
25:09 DF:TH

05 30 min/1 fall  
S.Williams/R.Slinger  
W A.Perez/B.Horowitz  
14:56 SW:BH

06 45 min/1 fall  
S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
Patriot/Eagle  
12:18 JN:E

07 60 min/1 fall  
A.Taue/T.Kawada/Masao  
Inoue W S.Asako/  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi  
24:05 AT:SA

07. 26 Feb 1994 18:30 ( 2050 )  
Ashikaga Tandai Gym,  
Tochigi.

01 15 min/1 fall  
T.Kikuchi W K.Shiga  
09:53

02 20 min/1 fall  
Mighty Inoue W Masao  
Inoue  
13:13

03 30 min/1 fall

D.Funk/T.Honda W  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz  
15:03 TH:BH

04 30 min/1 fall  
J.Akiyama W R.Dam  
09:02

05 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/R.Izumida  
W M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/  
M.Momota  
26:44 GB:HE

06 30 min/1 fall  
D.Furnas/D.Kroffat W  
Patriot/Eagle  
15:07 DK:E

07 45 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
S.Asako W S.Williams/  
J.Ace/R.Slinger  
20:12 MM:RS

08 60 min/1 fall  
T.Kawada/A.Taue/T.Omori  
W S.Hansen/J.Nord/J.Gunn  
13:45 TK:JG

08. 27 Feb 1994 18:00 ( 2450 )  
Mito Shimin Gym, Ibaragi.

01 20 min/1 fall  
M.Momota W Masao Inoue  
12:14

02 30 min/1 fall  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz W  
D.Funk/Mighty Inoue  
12:15 AP:MI

03 30 min/1 fall  
J.Akiyama/T.Honda W  
R.Slinger/R.Dam  
14:53 JA:RS

04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura W  
H.Eigen/R.Izumida  
19:30 GB:RI

05 30 min/1 fall  
Patriot/Eagle W J.Ace/  
J.Gunn  
15:59 E:JG

06 PWF Jr Heavyweight Title  
30 min/1 fall  
M.Fuchi W D.Kroffat  
18:16

07 45 min/1 fall  
S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
S.Williams/D.Furnas  
15:07 SH:DF

08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
S.Asako W A.Taue/  
T.Kawada/T.Omori  
24:41 KK:TO

09. 01 Mar 1994 18:00 ( 2100 )  
Ida Kinrosha Taiku Centre,  
Nagano.

01 15 min/1 fall  
Y.Ogawa W K.Shiga  
08:30

02 30 min/1 fall  
T.Honda W R.Dam  
08:50

03 30 min/1 fall  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas  
Mighty Inoue/T.Kikuchi  
11:34 DK:MI

04 30 min/1 fall  
M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/R.Izumida  
W G.Baba/R.Kimura/  
M.Momota  
24:44 RI:MM

05 30 min/1 fall  
T.Omori/D.Funk W J.Ace/  
J.Gunn  
16:07 TO:JG

06 30 min/1 fall  
S.Williams/R.Slinger W  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas  
11:59 SW:DF

07 45 min/1 fall

S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
Patriot/Eagle  
13:15 SH:E

08 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
J.Akiyama W T.Kawada/  
A.Taue/Masao Inoue  
24:00 JA:MI

10. 02 Mar 1994 18:30 ( 2100 )  
Kasugaya City Sogo Gym,  
Aichi.

01 15 min/1 fall  
S.Asako W K.Shiga  
08:06

02 30 min/1 fall  
M.Momota W Masao Inoue  
12:49

03 30 min/1 fall  
J.Ace/R.Dam W Mighty  
Inoue/T.Kikuchi  
11:07 JA:TK

04 30 min/1 fall  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas W  
D.Funk/J.Gunn  
10:44 DF:JG

05 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/J.Tsuruta  
W M.Fuchi/H.Eigen/  
R.Izumida  
20:44 GB:HE

06 30 min/1 fall  
A.Taue/Y.Ogawa W  
S.Williams/R.Slinger  
13:33 AT:RS

07 All-Asian Tag Title  
60 min/1 fall  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas W  
Patriot/Eagle  
15:22 DF:P

08 45 min/1 fall  
S.Hansen/J.Nord W  
K.Kobashi/T.Honda  
12:35 SH:TH

09 60 min/1 fall  
M.Misawa/J.Akiyama W  
T.Kawada/T.Omori  
17:31 JA:TO

11. 03 Mar 1994 18:30 ( 1800 )  
Handa Shimin Hall, Aichi.

01 15 min/1 fall  
T.Kikuchi W K.Shiga  
08:16

02 30 min/1 fall  
T.Omori/Mighty Inoue W  
A.Perez/B.Horowitz  
09:36 MI:BH

03 30 min/1 fall  
Patriot/Eagle W  
D.Funk/J.Gunn  
13:12 P:JG

04 30 min/1 fall  
G.Baba/R.Kimura/M.Momota  
W H.Eigen/R.Izumida/  
M.Fuchi  
21:43 GB:MF

05 30 min/1 fall  
D.Kroffat/D.Furnas W  
K.Kobashi/T.Honda  
15:30 DK:TH

06 45 min/1 fall  
S.Williams/J.Ace/  
R.Slinger W S.Hansen/  
R.Dam/J.Nord  
11:03 SW:RD

07 60 min/1 fall  
T.Kawada/A.Taue/Y.Ogawa  
W M.Misawa/K.Kobashi/  
S.Asako  
20:02 YO:SA

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